



FLOWER GARDEN BANKS NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY

Sanctuary Advisory Council Meeting
Wednesday, September 14, 2016, 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Bldg. 216, NOAA Galveston Lab, 4700 Ave. U., Galveston, TX



AGENDA

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| 9:00 AM | Welcome & Announcements
Welcome new SAC appointments | <i>G.P. Schmahl</i> |
| 9:05 AM | Administrative Business and Announcements
Adoption of agenda
Approval of minutes from April 2016 meeting | <i>Clint Moore</i> |
| 9:15 AM | Sanctuary Updates
Activities since last meeting
Mass Mortality Event at East Flower Garden Bank & Action Plan | <i>G.P. Schmahl</i> |
| 10:00 AM | Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS)
Range of Alternatives
Selection of preferred alternative
Analysis of Environmental Consequences
Major issues
Timeline – Action plan
Discussion | <i>G.P. Schmahl</i> |
| 11:30 AM | DEIS Public Comments
Summary of Public Comments
Discussion | <i>Leslie Clift/G.P. Schmahl</i>

<i>SAC members</i> |
| 12:00 PM | Lunch
<i>Lunch tray arranged for those wanting to participate - \$5 ea.</i>
An Overview of Coral Community Development on Offshore Platforms in the Gulf of Mexico |

<i>Dr. Paul Sammarco</i> |
| 1:00 PM | Public Comment and Q&A Period | |
| 1:30 PM | Boundary Expansion Working Group
BEWG update of First Two Meetings
Boundary Mapping Exercise - Alt 2 vs. Alt. 3
VMS data access challenge
Fishing Endorsement Concept
Economic Analysis Issues
Matrix Assessment Plans | <i>Clint Moore/Shane Cantrell</i> |
| 3:00 PM | Visitation Permit Program
SAC working group update | <i>Natalie Hall</i> |
| 3:30 PM | Agency Reports
NOAA Law Enforcement, USCG, EPA, NMFS, BOEM, BSEE | |
| 3:45 PM | New Business | |
| 4:00 PM | Adjourn | |

This meeting is open to the public. Those wishing to make public comments are asked to sign in on the sheet by the Visitor Log.